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WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

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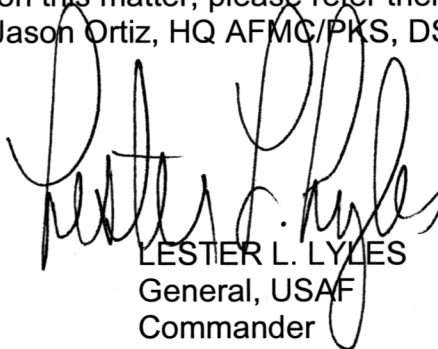
FROM: AFMC/CC
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SUBJECT: Government Purchase Card On-Line Purchasing Tool, AF Advantage

1. AFMC is facing significant reductions in the FY02 Operations and Maintenance Budget with a \$3.3M cut in Government Purchase Card (GPC) funds (EEIC 619). Our strategy for sustaining these reductions is rapid adoption of an e-Procurement capability called General Services Administration (GSA) Advantage that leverages our purchasing power with the GPC. GSA Advantage has over 7,000 vendors with more than 1,000,000 items yielding significant cost savings. It also provides many labor saving features that will reduce the time and effort required to make these purchases.

2. GSA is developing an expanded version of GSA Advantage for AFMC called AF Advantage that will offer many new features. AF Advantage is currently being piloted at Wright-Patterson AFB. AF Advantage is scheduled to rollout across AFMC in July 2002 and possibly across the Air Force if successful. The rollout will be transparent to AF users in that they will see AF Advantage when they log into GSA Advantage. Pending the arrival of AF Advantage, AFMC cardholders should maximize use of the leveraged prices and labor saving processes in GSA Advantage. Cardholder purchasing habits are critical to this resource leveraging process. The attached paper provides additional information on GSA Advantage and instructions on how to get started.

3. Should your staff have any questions on this matter, please refer them to <https://epc.wpafb.af.mil>, or contact Capt Jason Ortiz, HQ AFMC/PKS, DSN 986-0306 or Jason.Ortiz@wpafb.af.mil.


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Attachment:
GSA Advantage